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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. Of: TAKAHASHI et al.  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**STATUS REQUEST**

Dear Sir:

Applicants have yet to receive an Action on the merits with respect to the above referenced application. Please advise of the status of this application. Thank you in advance for your cooperation in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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